



LOS ANGELES COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER COVID-19 UPDATE

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FACTS

Incident Type: Public Health Emergency			
First US Case: January 21, 2020		First LA County Case: January 26, 2020	
Total Cases: 596,721	Cases Today: 16,504	Total Deaths: 8,757	Hospitalized(current): 5,100

SITUATION AS OF December 18, 2020

SITUATION SUMMARY:	<p>The following public information is a high-level summary of events being managed by the Los Angeles County Emergency Operations Center tasked with the emergency response and coordination of Countywide resources to address the COVID-19 disaster. Please share this information with your family, fellow residents, municipal, state, and community partners.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cold Weather Alert: Cold Temperatures Expected in Antelope Valley. Click Here for more information. • Revised Temporary Targeted Safer At Home Health Officer Order: Click Here for more information. • LA County Launches Holiday COVID-19 Home Test Collection Pilot. Click Here to learn more. • Department of Public Health Guidance for Celebrating the Holidays. Click Here to learn more. • For today's Public Health Update Click Here • To receive regular updates, sign up for our GovDelivery distribution list here: https://bit.ly/2QE6khO • To learn about the COVID-19 vaccine, Click Here 																	
PUBLIC HEALTH COVID-19 CASE COUNTS	<p>The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health is actively monitoring the number of COVID-19 cases reported throughout the County.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Source</th> <th>Number of Cases</th> <th>Deaths</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Los Angeles County (excluding LB & Pas)</td> <td>567,375</td> <td>8,305</td> </tr> <tr> <td>City of Long Beach</td> <td>24,075</td> <td>310</td> </tr> <tr> <td>City of Pasadena</td> <td>5,271</td> <td>142</td> </tr> <tr> <td>LA Co. Public Health (Total)</td> <td>596,721</td> <td>8,757</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>			Source	Number of Cases	Deaths	Los Angeles County (excluding LB & Pas)	567,375	8,305	City of Long Beach	24,075	310	City of Pasadena	5,271	142	LA Co. Public Health (Total)	596,721	8,757
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	Confirmed Cases by Age Group	
	Los Angeles County (excluding LB & Pas)	Total Cases
	0-4	10,846
	5-11	24,924
	12-17	30,687
	18-29	140,318
	30-49	193,414
	50-64	106,619
	65-79	40,948
	Over 80	15,844
	Under Investigation	3,775
	Confirmed Cases - Public Safety	
	Los Angeles County Fire Dept.	549 as of 12/18
Los Angeles County Sheriff	1,698 as of 12/18	
To view Public Health's COVID-19 Surveillance Dashboard Click Here		
ROADMAP TO RECOVERY	Reopening Guidelines	
	Beaches Bike Parks Car Dealerships Community Gardens Equestrians Centers Golf Courses Model Airplane Area Outdoor Shooting Facilities Retail Establishments Substance Use Disorder and Mental Health Tennis Pickleball Courts Trails	
	Note: For the latest sector openings please visit: Here	
	Recovery Resources	
	Roadmap to Recovery (Infographic) English Spanish Traditional Chinese Simplified Chinese Korean Tagalog Arabic Farsi Cambodian Russian Japanese Vietnamese Roadmap to Recovery (PowerPoint) English Spanish Traditional Chinese Simplified Chinese Korean Tagalog Arabic Farsi Cambodian Russian Japanese Vietnamese	
For more information on the Department of Public Health Recovery, Click Here , and for more information on Los Angeles County Recovery Click Here		
PUBLIC HEALTH RESOURCES:	I am a...	
	Business or Employee Health Care Worker and First Responder Community Service Organization Public Service Employee Congregate Living Facility Employee/Resident Individual, Family, and Specific Group Homeless Services Facility Employee/Resident School, University, or Early Care and Education Institution Food Service Employer Correctional or Detention Facility	

Additional Resources & Information

For additional things you can do to protect yourself, your family, and your community visit the Department of Public Health Website.

- <http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/>

To learn about the COVID-19 vaccine, [Click Here](#).

LOS ANGELES COUNTY HEALTH SERVICES & HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

For an update on the County healthcare system including data on available Hospital Beds, Ventilators, and Personal Protective Equipment visit the Department of Health Services [COVID-19 Dashboard](#).

- [Los Angeles County COVID-19 Hospital Demand Modeling Projections](#)

COVID-19 TESTING

Testing is Prioritized and Strongly Encouraged for:

Symptomatic persons with:

- Fever or chills, Cough, Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, Fatigue, Muscle or body aches, Headache, New loss of taste or smell, Sore throat, Congestion or runny nose, and Nausea or Vomiting.

Symptomatic persons who are:

- Hospitalized
- Healthcare workers and other first responders
- Employees and residents in group living settings, and
- Over 65 years old or with **underlying health conditions** that place them at higher risk of serious complications

Asymptomatic persons:

- If they are part of a public health investigation
- If they live or work in high risk settings, such as skilled nursing facilities or homeless shelters
- If they are a close contact of someone with a confirmed positive diagnosis of COVID-19, or
- If they are an essential worker.

Prioritization of routine testing among other asymptomatic people is not recommended at this time. People over the age of 65 or with underlying conditions do not necessarily need to be tested unless they have symptoms, have had an exposure or have been told by public health to be tested. Please check with your healthcare provider about your specific situation and let their medical advice guide you.

Testing is Available by Appointment only

What L.A. County Residents and Employers Need to Know About COVID-19 Testing Now: [Click Here](#) for more information.

LA County launched a new COVID-19 home test collection program, which allows certain County residents to do free testing from the comfort of their own homes. For information on how to register, individuals should go to the County [COVID-19 testing site](#).

- For more information about COVID-19 testing in Los Angeles County [Click Here](#)
- To find a testing site near you [Click Here](#)
- For Frequently asked questions [Click Here](#)

As of 12/18/2020, approximately 4,303,487 people in Los Angeles County have been tested for COVID-19. Thirteen percent (13%) of those who have been tested have tested positive for COVID-19.

COVID-19 RELATED MEDICAL SHELTERING OPERATIONS

As of July 1, 2020, DHS has assumed the role of operational lead for the County’s Medical Sheltering program from the CEO’s Office of Emergency Management (OEM).

Current Medical Sheltering Locations:

Location	Date Operational	Number of Clients*
Pomona Fairplex	3/25	180
MLK Recuperative Center	3/25	21
Sherman Hotel	3/27	47
David L. Murphy	4/27	44
Holiday Inn Dtnw. Long Beach	12/11	70
Willow Tree Inn	12/14	68
Total:		430

*Number of clients is reported as of 0800 today. This number will fluctuate daily as clients arrive/ are discharged.

PERSONS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS

The Office of Emergency Management (OEM) has designated LAHSA as the lead agency for work relating to people experiencing homelessness. OEM did this to ensure that LAHSA’s expertise is captured in the day-to-day work and allows LAHSA to play the central coordinating role across City and County agencies. Visit the website for more information on [Homelessness & Housing](#).

For more information on Medical Sheltering [Click Here](#).
For more information on Project Roomkey [Click Here](#).

Project Roomkey Locations:

Service Planning Area (SPA)	Total Rooms	Date Operational	# of Rooms Occupied	# of Clients	Sites to Close in the Next Month
SPA 1 – Antelope Valley (#1)	94	4/6/2020	91	96	
SPA 2 – San Fernando Valley (#3)	50	4/11/2020	44	49	
SPA 5 – West (#1)	136	4/3/2020	120	123	
SPA 8 – South Bay (#2)	100	4/16/2020	95	108	

SPA 2 – San Fernando Valley (#4)	242	4/20/2020	226	273	
SPA 2 – San Fernando Valley (#5)	52	4/28/2020	50	57	
SPA 5 – West (#2)	47	4/24/2020	35	38	
SPA 7– East (#3)	210	5/7/2020	191	207	
SPA 3 – San Gabriel Valley (#5)	140	4/28/2020	128	156	
SPA 3 – San Gabriel Valley (#6)	121	5/14/2020	68	79	
SPA 4 – Metro (#6)	467	5/11/2020	364	397	
SPA 6 –South (#2)	39	5/26/2020	26	26	
SPA 8 – South Bay (#6)	103	5/27/2020	101	119	
SPA 4 – Metro (#7)	92	5/20/2020	84	85	
SPA 4 – Metro (#8)	177	5/22/2020	65	81	X
SPA 4 – Metro (#10)	294	7/14/20	251	285	
SPA 1 – Antelope Valley (#2)	97	8/2/2020	90	109	
SPA 2 – San Fernando Valley (#6)	150	8/11/2020	136	159	
Overall Totals:	2,611		2,165	2,447	

COMBATTING HUNGER

The County of Los Angeles is committed to feeding our most vulnerable communities during the Coronavirus pandemic. We are mobilizing public agencies, nonprofits, and volunteers to provide meals to anyone in need. Visit <https://covid19.lacounty.gov/food/> for more information.

- [Click Here](#) to find out how to donate food or volunteer this holiday season.
- The LA Regional Food is taking necessary precautions to make sure that food and product remain safe, and that distributions and volunteer activities can continue. For more information [Click Here.](#)
- As of December 9, 2020, Access Services has completed 310,325 deliveries of meals, grocery boxes, and paper goods to people with disabilities and seniors across all projects to date. Access is currently supporting four meal/grocery delivery programs across LA County.
- [Click Here](#) to find a drive-thru food distribution event near you.
- Total distributed to date at 62 events: 3,329 tons of food which is the equivalent 5.5 million meals provided to 102,965 households.
- #LetsFeedLACounty has secured 400 20-pound boxes of groceries from the LA Regional Food Bank for weekly delivery through the end of December to clients of the DHS Housing for Health program.
- Great Plates has a current service population of 8,629 seniors. Total meals served through this program since 5/12/2020: 2,727,465.
- The Great Plates Delivered Program has contracted with 76 meal providers that are employing 1,763 people. 67% of meal providers are minority-owned businesses. To learn more or apply, [Click Here.](#)

LOS ANGELES COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER	<p>Logistics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing support of field operations with Disaster Service Workers, and site supplies and services through Department of Human Resources and Internal Services Department. • The CEOC has received approximately 1,758 unique requests that continue to be prioritized and processed. • Donations Management is receiving and evaluating donation offers. For more information please visit https://doingbusiness.lacounty.gov/ <p>Information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Los Angeles County Confronting COVID-19 with Ongoing Vital Resources Click Here for more information. • L.A. County Launches COVID-19 Safety Compliance Certificate Program Click Here for more information. • L.A. County and City Leaders Join Forces with Citizen to Launch Safepass Partnership Click Here for more information. • Press Conference every Wednesday at 1PM on Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube • For information regarding Los Angeles County's response to the COVID-19 pandemic visit our COVID-19 GIS Dashboards
PUBLIC SAFETY INFORMATION	<p>The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As of 12/18/2020 1,698 LASD staff have tested positive for COVID-19, 1,708 are quarantined, 3,197 have recovered and returned to work. • For more Sheriff's Department Coronavirus updates Click Here. <p>The Los Angeles County Fire Department</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As of 12/18/2020 549 LACoFD staff have tested positive for COVID-19, 199 are isolated and recovering, and 350 have returned to work.
PROCLAMATION AND EMERGENCY DECLARATIONS	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal: National Emergency Declaration on March 13, 2020 • Federal: U.S. Small Business Administration Declaration on March 16, 2020 • Federal: Presidential Major Disaster Declaration, March 22, 2020 • Federal: President Trump signed the CARES Act into law on March 27, 2020 • State: California State of Emergency Proclaimed on March 4, 2020 • County: LA County Proclamation of Local Emergency on March 4, 2020 • Cities: 86 proclaimed Local Emergency; 2 declared Local Health Emergency 	